

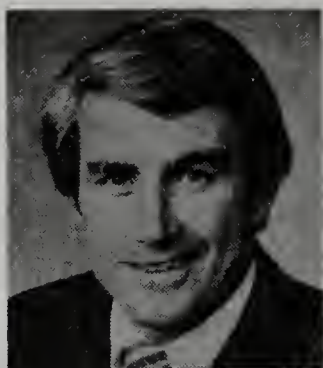
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FARM AND MILEAGE TAX REGISTRATIONS



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**TWO
Money-saving plans
for
farm operators**

My office offers two options to farm operators to reduce the cost of operating farm vehicles in Illinois: FARM and MILEAGE TAX registrations.

- Established more than a decade ago, farm registration offers reduced rates, ranging from 25 to 50 percent less than flat weight tax fees depending on the gross weight of the vehicles.
- Trucks, tractors, and trailers traveling a limited amount of miles within Illinois may qualify for mileage tax registration. Fees under this plan are about half that of the regular flat weight tax registration.

This pamphlet explains these two options. If you need more information, contact the Commercial and Farm Truck Division in Springfield at (217) 785-1815 or 785-1818.

Let my office save you time and money in securing the registration that best serves your farm operating needs.

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Secretary of State



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MILEAGE TAX REGISTRATION FEES

GROSS WEIGHT OF VEHICLE AND LOAD	INITIAL FEE REQUIRED BY LAW	MAXIMUM MILEAGE PERMITTED UNDER GUARANTEED TAX	RATE EXCESS MILEAGE	CLASS
12,000 or less	\$ 68.00	5,000	.021	MD
12,001 — 16,000 lbs.	106.00	6,000	.027	MF
16,001 — 20,000 lbs.	154.00	6,000	.037	MG
20,001 — 24,000 lbs.	198.00	6,000	.050	MH
24,001 — 28,000 lbs.	262.00	7,000	.050	MJ
28,001 — 32,000 lbs.	318.00	7,000	.066	MK
32,001 — 36,000 lbs.	398.00	7,000	.079	ML
36,001 — 40,000 lbs.	502.00	7,000	.102	MN
40,001 — 45,000 lbs.	566.00	7,000	.111	MP
45,001 — 50,000 lbs.	626.00	7,000	.125	MR
50,001 — 59,500 lbs.	746.00	7,000	.142	MS
59,501 — 64,000 lbs.	798.00	7,000	.156	MT
64,001 — 73,280 lbs.	916.00	7,000	.180	MV
73,281 — 77,000 lbs.	1,040.00	7,000	.206	MX
77,001 — 80,000 lbs.	1,110.00	7,000	.220	MZ
TRAILER				
14,000 or less	\$ 70.00	5,000	.025	TM
14,001 — 20,000 lbs.	118.00	6,000	.029	TM
20,001 — 36,000 lbs.	442.00	7,000	.082	TM
36,001 — 40,000 lbs.	610.00	7,000	.120	TM

MILEAGE TAX REGISTRATION

Illinois law recognizes that some vehicles operating in-state travel a very limited number of miles, and operators of applicable vehicles should be charged less fees than those for long distance carriers. Therefore, Illinois offers mileage tax registration.

Mileage tax registration, as opposed to flat weight tax registration, allows operators to pay reduced fees for vehicles driven a limited amount of miles in Illinois.

Trucks, tractors, and trailers may qualify for the registration, but mileage tax registration is for in-state use only. Mileage plates are issued on a fiscal-year basis.

Mileage Tax Fees:

Fees are determined by the gross weight of the vehicle and amount of miles driven. Operators are allowed 5,000, 6,000 or 7,000 miles depending on the weight of their vehicles and loads (see chart). Operators of trucks and trailers exceeding the mileage limitations are charged additional fees based on excess mileage rates.

Security for Excess Mileage:

Surety bonds of \$500 per vehicle are required by the Secretary of State's office as a guarantee of payment of excess fees. Such bonds must be from surety companies approved by the Illinois Department of Insurance. In addition, the name on the bond must be identical to the name on the registration application. The applicant's signature must be notarized, and bonding companies must attach to each bond a Power of Attorney along with acknowledgement of surety.

Mileage Records:

Because of the mileage requirements, vehicles with mileage tax registration must have odometers. Trailers are required to have hub-o-meters.

Truckers must maintain beginning and ending meter readings for each fiscal year (July 1-June 30). These records must be maintained for a three-year period and are subject to audit. In addition, truck operators are required to maintain daily mileage records. Summaries of these records must be submitted semiannually to the Secretary of State's office.

Forms for reporting semiannual mileage are provided. These forms are mailed to applicants twice a year during December and June and must be returned respectively by the tenth of January and July.

Mileage tax registrations are subject to suspension or revocation for failure to report mileage, as well as for operating vehicles with disconnected or broken odometers.

More About Mileage Registration:

Mileage tax registration is binding for the fiscal registration year. Therefore, reclassification to flat weight tax registration is not permitted during the effective year.

Application for mileage tax registration must be received in the Secretary of State's office no later than July 1. Applicants will be penalized for late registration a 10 percent reduction of their guaranteed miles for each month or fraction of a month after July 1.

Mileage tax registration is available only from:

Secretary of State
COMMERCIAL & FARM TRUCK DIVISION
Centennial Building
2nd and Edwards
Springfield, Illinois 62756
(217) 785-1815 or 785-1818

FARM REGISTRATION

Farm Registration may be used for straight trucks, truck tractors, and trailers used in various farming operations. Farm plates are issued on a fiscal-year basis (July 1 - June 30).

To qualify for farm registration, an applicable vehicle must be used exclusively by the owner for agricultural, horticultural or livestock raising purposes. Such vehicles, however, are not for hire.

Farm registration also applies to trucks, tractors, and trailers used in for-hire transportation of seasonal, fresh, and perishable fruit or vegetables from the farm to the point of first processing.

Farm Plates:

Each farm owner is allowed two farm plates for: A) two trucks, or B) two truck tractors, or C) one truck and one truck tractor. In addition, each farm owner may obtain farm plates for a maximum of two trailers.

Other Options:

Farm operators who require more than the total permissible farm registrations have two other options - Mileage Tax Registration and Flat Weight Tax Registration. Moreover, if a farm operator has two farm truck registrations and wants to acquire farm registration for a truck tractor, then either mileage tax or flat weight tax registration must be obtained for one of the trucks before the tractor can be eligible for farm registration. The most appropriate type of registration would depend on the farmer's particular farm operation and the time of registration.

Out-of-State Use:

Illinois farm registration is recognized by other states. Before entering another state, however, truck operators should check with that state's motor vehicle department to determine if additional documents and/or fees are required for out-of-state vehicles.

FARM REGISTRATION FEE SCHEDULE

Gross Weight In Lbs. Including Vehicles and maximum load	Class	Total Fees per Year
16,000 or less	VF	\$ 120.00
16,001 - 20,000 lbs.	VG	180.00
20,001 - 24,000 lbs.	VH	230.00
24,001 - 28,000 lbs.	VJ	302.00
28,001 - 32,000 lbs.	VK	404.00
32,001 - 45,000 lbs.	VP	648.00
45,001 - 50,000 lbs.	VR	744.00
50,001 - 64,000 lbs.	VT	960.00
64,001 - 73,280 lbs.	VV	916.00
73,281 - 77,000 lbs.	VX	1,048.00
77,001 - 80,000 lbs.	VZ	1,160.00

TRAILER FEE SCHEDULE

10,000 or less	VDC	\$ 48.00
10,001 - 14,000 lbs.	VDE	84.00
14,001 - 20,000 lbs.	VDG	132.00
20,001 - 28,000 lbs.	VDJ	302.00
28,001 - 36,000 lbs.	VDL	518.00

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